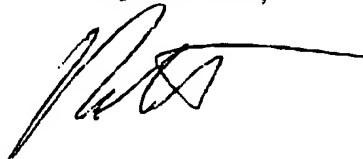


are so linked as to form a single inventive concept. Please note that claims for a product are specifically authorized for examination together with claims for one process specially adapted for the use of that product. This is exactly the type of case for which the rule was promulgated, i.e., to avoid burdensome and unnecessary restrictions. It is also asserted that the requirement to restrict the present application would be an unnecessary burden upon the Applicants and the Examiner's failure to follow the mandates of the statute and regulation would be a denial of due process. For these reasons it is respectfully urged that the restriction requirement be rescinded.

In addition, the examiner has set forth an election of species requirement. Species I is for claims 2-21 for a dielectric film and Species II is for claims 22-28 for an integrated circuit. Applicants hereby provisionally elect claim Group I directed to claims 2-28 for examination. However, the election requirement is traversed. Applicant assert that the examiner is drawing too fine a line of distinction between alleged Species I and Species II. In reality, Species II is a sub-species of Species I. For these reasons it is respectfully urged that the election requirement be rescinded.

Respectfully submitted,



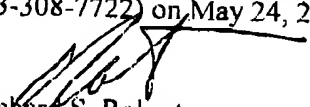
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